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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Volkmar HEUER
A METHOD OF TRANSMITTING SYNCHRONOUS TRANSPORT MODULES VIA
A SYNCHRONOUS TRANSPORT NETWORK
Assignee: **ALCATEL**
Our Ref. Q64387

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 23 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 5 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	10 - 20	=	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	2 - 3	=	x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
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TOTAL FEE

\$710.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from May 26, 2000 based on European Application No. 00440160.0. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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